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Mr. Ryan J. Carra  
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Re: Freedom Of Information Act (FOIA) Request EPA-HQ-2014-010480

Dear Mr. Carra:

I am in receipt of your FOIA Request (EPA-HQ-2014-010480) dated September 17, 2014. Your request asks for a copy of communications sent by EPA to the state of Texas during the time period 2008-present regarding alleged Clean Air Act violations at Cabot Corporation's Pampa, Texas carbon black manufacturing facility.

We have performed a comprehensive and diligent search for this information. With regard to the information you requested, I have enclosed all FOIA releasable information that the EPA Headquarters has in its possession, control, and custody, which is responsive to your request. This information is being made available to you under the provisions of the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. 552, as amended, and the EPA regulation, 40 CFR Part 2, as amended. Section 2.120 of the above referenced regulation authorizes the assessment of a fee to cover the search and reproduction cost incurred by the EPA in complying with information requests where the total cost to the EPA exceeds \$25.00. The EPA's compliance with this request has not exceeded the threshold of \$25 and as such there is no amount due.


If you are not satisfied with my action on this request, you may appeal this response to the National Freedom of Information Officer, U.S. EPA, FOIA and Privacy Branch (2822T), 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20460 (U.S. Postal Service only), or by fax: (202) 566-2147, or by email: [hq.foia@epa.gov](mailto:hq.foia@epa.gov). Only items mailed through the U.S. Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW. If you are submitting your appeal via hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20004.

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Your appeal must be in writing and submitted no later than 30 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 30 calendar day limit. The appeal letter should clearly identify the determination being appealed, including the assigned FOIA request number (RIN) shown above. For the quickest possible handling, both the appeal letter and its envelope should be clearly marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal."

Please feel free to contact me, Sounjay K. Gairola, at (202) 564-4003 if you have any further questions.

Sincerely yours,



Sounjay K. Gairola  
FOIA Coordinator  
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